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A SMALL Black and Tan TERRIER, answers to the name of "PUNCH."

Small white spot on breast.
Reward given if required.
Address: No. 12, Praya East.

Hongkong, November 18, 1879.

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

Under the Distinguished Patronage of H. E. J. POPE HENNESSY, C.M.G., GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY.

TO-MORROW EVENING, Nov. 20th, 1879.

The Celebrated Opera by DONIZETTI, "Lucrezia Borgia."

SATURDAY EVENING, Nov. 22nd, 1879.

The Grand Opera by VERDI, "Ernani."

Prices of Admission: Dress Circle, £3.
Family Tickets, to admit three, £7.
Stalls, £1.
Back Seats, £1.

Doors Open at 8.30; Performance to commence at 9 p.m.

Tickets may be obtained from Messrs KELLY and WALSH, where a Plan of the Theatre can be seen.

Pamphlets in English Version will be sold at the door at 50 cents each.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen will not be admitted.

Hongkong, November 18, 1879.

For Sale.

GLASGOW BANK FAILURE.

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THIS CITY & VICINITY.

GREAT BANKRUPT SALE OF DRAPERY.

OWING to the great depression in Scotland caused by the failure of the Glasgow Bank, the well-known firm of Messrs DUNCAN, MACDONALD, and STEWART, of Glasgow and Manchester, being bankrupt, Messrs McDermott, Cass & Co., Official Assignees, are now disposing of by Private Sale a large portion of the STOCK belonging to the late firm, consisting of:—

WEST OF ENGLAND BROAD AND NARROW CLOTHS, ENGLISH MELTONS, BEAVERS.

Scotch Tweeds and Cheviots, French Cloths, Cashmeres, &c.

THERE WILL ALSO BE OFFERED A LARGE STOCK OF ENGLISH PRINTS, CALICOES, WELSH FLANNEL, LADIES' KID BOOTS AND SLIPPERS.

To which the Subscribers would respectfully call the attention of the Public, at the following

LOW PRICES, viz:—

1,570 Bales of ENGLISH PRINTS, which will be offered from..... 6 cents per yard.

1,390 Bales of ENGLISH CALICOES, which will be offered from..... 6 cents per yard.

550 Bales of WELSH FLANNEL, which will be offered from..... 15 cents per yard.

400 Trunks BEST KID BOOTS..... \$2.00 per pair.

400 Trunks KID SLIPPERS..... 50 cents per pair.

150,000 Yards ENGLISH TWEED..... 10 cents per yard.

1,020 Bales REGATTA SAILING..... 10 cents per yard.

N.B.—The Subscribers would also call attention to the large lot of FRENCH and PAISLEY SHAWLS of the LATEST DESIGNS and FINEST QUALITIES, which will be offered at a Great Sacrifice; also a large lot of FRENCH and ITALIAN SILKS; also, IRISH POPLIN DRESS PATTERNS, manufactured by the celebrated FRIZ BROTHERS, of Dublin.

800,000 REMNANTS of ENGLISH BROAD CLOTHS, IN BLACK, BROWN, BLUE, AND OTHER COLOURS.

Meltons, Beavers, Tweeds, Cheviots, Cashmeres, &c., which will be sold in lots to suit Private Families, at considerably

BELOW MANUFACTURER'S PRICES.

N.B.—The Assignees have engaged the services of Twenty Salesmen, who will offer for inspection and sale portions of the above Goods, and from the low prices at which they will be offered, they feel confident of a speedy clearance. ONE PRICE charged, from which NO ABATEMENT will be made.

ADDRESS 42, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Opposite Messrs. Birley and Co.'s.

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Entertainment.

GARRISON THEATRE.

BY KIND PERMISSION OF H. E. MAJOR-GENERAL E. M. DONOVAN.

MESSRS VOSE AND BROWN, BEG to announce that they will give two Entertainments at the GARRISON THEATRE.

This and Friday Evenings, The 19th and 21st inst.

Prices of admission for these occasions only:—

Reserved Seats..... One Dollar

Second Seats..... 50 Cents

Back Seats..... 20 Cents

Doors open at 8.30; performance to commence at 9 o'clock.

Hongkong, November 19, 1879.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, ON

THURSDAY, the 20th Nov., 1879, at Noon, at the Godowns adjoining Mr E. PABANEY'S Office, 4 Chests MALWA OPIUM.

Ex S. S. Thibet.

All more or less damaged by sea water. (For account of the concerned.)

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery, in Bank Notes. All Lots with all faults and errors of description, to be at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

H. N. MODY,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Nov. 18, 1879.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, shortly, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract:—

THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY, Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and Capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of a most valuable nature, comprising THREE

PIECES OF GROUND close to the water, viz:—Inland Lots Nos 746, 781 and 782, with the Substantially Built DWELLING HOUSE and BUSINESS PREMISES, erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the

MACHINERY, ENGINES, STILL, VATS, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FIXTURES.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON, Solicitors, Supreme Court House, Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 6, 1879.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 24th November 1879, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the Office of the FRENCH CONSULATE, by order of the French Consul (For account of whom it may concern),

The French Ship "ERNEST,"

of 391 Tons Register or thereabout, as she now lies in this Harbour.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash in Bank Notes, and the Vessel to be at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

For further Particulars and Inventory, apply to the Auctioneers.

HUGHES & LEGGE,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Nov. 17, 1879.

AUCTION OF ELEGANT ENGLISH-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, AN EARL'S PATENT CONCERT

PIANO, PARISIAN SIDE TABLES, TURKEY CARPETS, &c., &c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions from W. H. BRERETON, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, at his Residence, *Beauregard*, on—

TUESDAY,

the 25th November, 1879, at Two o'clock p.m.,—

The whole of the Valuable HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising:—

Drawing Room Suite Ebonyized and Gilt Covered with Cretone, comprising Chairs, Couches, Lounges and Ottoman; Parisian Side Tables with Ormolu Mountings; Handsome Mantel-piece Mirrors; Clocks; Gilt Window Cornices and Hangings; Flower Vases; a few Framed Coloured Photographs of Views in Japan; Chromo-Lithographs; Gasolier; Carpet, Fender and Irons, etc., etc., etc.

Mahogany Dining Table; Mahogany Dining Chairs on Castors; Easy Chairs; Book Case with Plate Glass Doors; Window Curtains; Cut Glassware; Electro Plated Ware; Crockery, etc., etc., etc.

A very handsome Solid Gilt Brass Bedstead, with Spring and Horse-hair Mattresses and Hangings; Lady's Mahogany Double-winged Wardrobe with Silvered Plate Glass Front; Mahogany Washstand with Marble-top; Dressing Table; Cheval Glass; Bed-room Chairs; Toilet Mirrors, etc., etc., etc.

Study Table; Morocco Covered Chairs and Lounges; Davenport, etc., etc., etc.

Also, An Earl's Patent Concert PIANO, nearly new.

An Australian HORSE, with Saddle. Catalogues will be issued, and the whole will be on view on Monday, the 24th instant.

Hongkong, Nov. 17, 1879.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern & Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "NORMANBY."

Captain GREEN, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 29th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, November 17, 1879.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO. The Steamship "MERIONETHSHIRE,"

RICKARD, Commander, expected here on or about the 18th inst., will have immediate despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, November 14, 1879.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON VIA SAIGON. The Steamship "RADNOSHIRE,"

DAVIES, Commander, expected here on or about the 17th instant, has room for about 500 tons Tea. She will call at Saigon for a part Cargo.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, November 10, 1879.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Company's Steamship "STENTOR,"

Capt. J. KIRKPATRICK, will be despatched on or about the 20th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, November 4, 1879.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. (Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Company's Steamship "PATROCLUS,"

Captain W. WHITE, will be despatched on or about the 21st instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, November 12, 1879.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Company's Steamship "ACHILLES,"

Capt. C. ANDERSON, will be despatched on or about the 1st proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, November 12, 1879.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 Danish Bark "ELENBORG,"

JACOBSEN, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, November 10, 1879.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Bark "QUEEN OF INDIA,"

CARY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, November 6, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA ILOILO. The A 1 American Bark "MIRIAM,"

Capt. PARKER, will load here for the above Port, and will be despatched on or about 15th instant.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, November 3, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship "EMERALD ISLE,"

STARLES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will be despatched on or about 1st Decem-

ber. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, November 3, 1879.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship "CITY OF BOSTON,"

CHOSBY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will be despatched on or about 20th Decem-

ber. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, November 3, 1879.

FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 German Brig "ALIDA,"

Captain BIER, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

THE Government Gazette of the 10th July 1911

THE *Government Gazette* of to-day's date contains the papers and despatches, laid before the Legislative Council, and referred to at the meeting to-day, in reference to the revenue received under the C. D. Ordinance.

A ROWING match came off this afternoon between two 12-oared cutters belonging to H. M. S. *Egeria* and *Victor Emanuel*. The course was from the latter ship to a boat moored off Kellet's Island and back. The *Egeria*'s crew won by 24 seconds.

WE have to acknowledge receipt, from the publishers, of the issue for 1880 of the remarkably neat and useful Anglo-Chinese date block with which the office of the *North China Herald* is "greatly to its credit" identified.

We regret to learn that news has been received of the sudden death, at Yokohama, by Captain H. Smith, of the P. and O. Company's service, who has been for some years in command of the Company's steamer *Malacca*, trading between this port and Japan. Captain Smith was a quiet man whose long connection with this port had gained him the respect of many friends, and by his death the Company lose a most trustworthy and skilful officer.

Mr. P. L. Warren, late H. M. Acting Consul at Wenchow, is now (says the *News* of 15th) in Shanghai, en route to Taiwan, where he will relieve Mr. A. R. Hewlett, who goes to Canton.

THE passengers by the B. I. steamer *Mer-
kara*, which landed Dave Carson and his
new troupe at Colombo the other day
(where they were able as usual to give two
or three performances by "missing a stea-
mer") presented an address to him before
he landed at Colombo, from which we ex-
tract the following:—

We your fellow-passengers in the steamship *Merikara* are anxious before we separate to take this opportunity of rendering to you our united thanks in acknowledging the many and various efforts you have so successfully made to render our voyage pleasant and amusing. We are persuaded that all on board, from the youngest to the oldest of us, will always carry with us a most pleasant recollection of the merriment with which you have an

helped to beguile and vary the monotony of our days and evenings. The time has long gone by when any commendation at our hands could help to make you welcome in the East, where we know the name of "Dave Carson" is a household word. You nevertheless carry with you our best wishes for the success in every way of the versatile original of the "Bengalee Baboo," in the enterprise you are now undertaking, and we are glad to be able to wish you and Mrs. Carson, and all your helpers, the best of good speed.

THE ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA.
Signor Cagli's Italian Company made their first appearance in legitimate business at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, last evening, the piece selected for the *debut* being Verdi's popular, though somewhat hackneyed, opera, "Il Trovatore." The house was literally

rammed, every seat being occupied, and the passages were thronged with numbers of people who could not procure seats. It must have been gratifying to the Company to find themselves so extensively and greatly patronised, and they certainly, in their various capacities, exerted themselves to the utmost to deserve the liberal applause which

an indulgent audience so freely bestowed on them throughout the performance. His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Mrs. Hennessy and Lady Smale, took his place in the Governor's Box precisely at nine o'clock, the whole of the audience rising as he entered, the pianiste at the same time playing a few bars of the National Anthem, and immediately afterwards the curtain rose

with praiseworthy punctuality. The *Travatore* is so well known to every lover of music, that it would be simply a waste of time and space to give any detailed account of the argument, which everybody must be familiar with; and the principal errors are equally common property. Signora Pirellini was a satisfactory *Leonora*, her fine voice being in excellent condition, and she sang throughout with much power and expression, although at the commencement of

opera she appeared to suffer greatly from nervousness, and in consequence, occasional sang out of tune. The florid music of Il trovatore is perfectly suited to her voice and style, and she proved her ability by executing the same with much fluency. As a actress Signora Genolini, although displaying impassioned energy in the last act, seems much to learn, and still more to unlearn, before she can be acceptable to a cultured English audience in such roles as Desdemona, though we frankly

He frankly admit that the audience last night, if their applause may be taken as any criterion, appeared to think otherwise. The *Manrico* of Signor Sbriscia fully bore out the anticipation we had previously formed as to this gentleman's operatic abilities. He was eminently successful in most of the popular roles, and in the "Alcibiade" duet with Azucena he was really effective. His rendering of "Ah, che morte," however, was unaccountably tame and devoid of pathos and dramatic effect.

the introduction of an inappropriate
takes, he to some extent sacrificed the sen-
siment of the aria for the purpose of display-
ing his executive powers. To this plan of
taking operatic music we take strong ex-
ception; and in our opinion, Signor Brisi's
greatest fault is a too frequent use of that
questionable tremolo, so common with most
singers of the French school, a fault we would
strongly recommend him to eradicate with
speed. In fairness to the singer

to be a tenor vocalist of great promise. His acting is of the usual conventional order, and scarcely merits any detailed criticism. The part of *Conte di Luna* was taken by Signor Bergamaschi, who sang and acted in exceptionally good style. His duet with Leonora was, on Saturday night, most favourably received by the audience, being a decided improvement on his first attempt. We have already spoken of Signor Bergamaschi's splendid baritone voice, and it gives us pleasure to record that his vocalization throughout the opera reached a high standard, for not only has he natural gifts of the first order, brought almost to perfection by incessant study, but he thoroughly understands how to use them. Signora Mancini's *Azuena* was carefully acted, and worthy of commendation, although the lady's voice was not equal to the demands made upon it. Quality was conspicuously absent in her upper notes, and she was certainly weak in the lower register. It should also be noted that this artist was far from perfect, the voice of the prompter being prominent in all her scenes, but objectionally so in the second act. It is doubtless praiseworthy of Signor Cagli to try and produce his eight operas within three weeks, but in the public interest we must insist on the performers being conversant with their various parts. A less indulgent audience than a Hongkong one, would scarcely have passed over Signora Mancini's defective knowledge of the text with so much good-natured consideration. The small part of *Luce* had a rather indifferent representative in Signora B. Genolini; and the old soldier *Ferrando* scarcely showed Signor Bagaglio at his best.

The opera was, considering all things, remarkably well appointed, and the costumes historically correct. We must however express our regret at the wretched character of the chorus. Everyone can readily understand the difficulties Signor Cagli must have experienced in forming his large company, but it is hard to see why he should have brought so far from home such a quintet of ineptables as the gentlemen who so barbarously burlesqued the famous "Miserere" last night. Please, Signor Cagli, to omit all choruses where practicable, rather than allow your chorists to spoil the effect of the opera, and some of the finest music ever written, by their extraordinary attempts at vocalization. We must also protest against the custom, so frequently indulged in last evening, of interrupting the run of the opera, to acknowledge the plaudits of the audience. A certain amount of license is generally permitted in this respect, but the artists we are now criticising carry the practice to ridiculous limits. In one of the most pathetic scenes in the opera, that where *Azuena* sings her beautiful dream aria, the actress actually got up from the couch where she was supposed to be asleep, to bow to the audience. This incident strongly reminds us of the well-known Scotch "character" actor "Fuzzy" Gow, who, on a certain occasion when Mrs Gow had gone through a dying scene to the satisfaction of the audience, came in front of the footlights and amidst rapturous applause announced that "to oblige his patrons Mrs Gow would die over again." Operatic singers should remember that they always form part of a dramatic picture when on the stage, and no applause should make them forget that they are true artists before everything else.

A word of praise must be given to Signor Guarneri, who directed the performance with much ability and discretion, and contributed largely to the general success. Donizetti's powerful opera "Lucrezia Borgia" will be produced on Thursday evening (to-morrow), with Signora Genolini in the splendid rôle of "Lucrezia," a part which ought to suit her admirably.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon, at which there were present: H. E. the Governor, J. Pope Hennessy, the Chief Justice, Sir John Smale; the Colonial Secretary, Hon. W. H. Marsh; the Acting Attorney General, Hon. J. Russell; the Acting Treasurer, Hon. M. S. Tonnochy; Hon. P. Ryrie and Hon. W. Keswick.

THE SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1878.

On the motion of the Colonial Secretary this ordinance was read a second time, and the Standing Orders being suspended, the bill was passed through all its stages. By this bill a sum not exceeding \$70,000 (\$69,240.30) was appropriated for the expenditure of 1878.

THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 1880.

The Colonial Secretary moved the second reading of the Appropriation Bill for next year. The estimates laid on the table at last meeting had been carefully considered by the Finance Committee. There had been very little discussion. Two suggestions had been made, both of which he had brought before His Excellency, who had approved of them. One, by the Senior Unofficial Member, was that a sum should be taken from the Special Fund accumulated under Ordinance No. 10 of 1867, and applied to the expenditure of the Lock Hospital. Carrying out His Excellency's instructions, he had inserted in the expenditure side a sum estimated as sufficient to cover the expenditure of the year, —\$672. There were some very minor alterations in the salaries; altogether on this heading there was a diminution of \$483. There were some gross mistakes in the estimates as drafted for the Council which had now been remedied. The item of \$8000 for roads and bridges out of Victoria had been by mistake struck out altogether; and no provision was made for the cost of their upkeep; that item was re-inserted. An addition was also made, on the suggestion of the Surveyor General, of \$2000 for land surveys, instead of a vote of \$2500 under the heading of roads and bridges. With regard to the Post Office accounts he thought it was only right to mention that in forwarding the accounts of his Department the Postmaster General drew his attention to the fact that they were not in the form prescribed, and he suggested another form. There had been some misunderstanding between himself and the Audit Office with regard to these accounts, and it was the Postmaster General himself who suggested the form which had now been approved by His Excellency.

Hon. Mr. Ryrie said he understood in Committee that the balances of the Special Fund &c. were to be given.

The Colonial Secretary: The balance of assets of the Colony at 1st January of present year was \$300,084; the estimated balance at 31st December this

year was \$197,084. The balance, January 1st, of the Special Fund was \$410,000, and it was estimated that it would be found at the same figure at the end of the year. The balance, January 1st, on the Fund under Ordinance No. 10 of 1867 (the C. D. O.) was \$3,800, and the estimated balance on that fund at the end of the year was \$9,000. The total of the three balances at 1st January was \$718,884, and the estimated balance at the end of the year was \$616,034; the reduction being the amount borrowed and expended on the Praya works.

His Excellency explained that of the sum borrowed for the Praya works there was being repaid annually, as suggested by the Secretary of State, \$9,000, so that in 8 years the sum will have been repaid. With regard to the sum of over \$600,000 at the credit of the Colony, there were, as they were aware, certain public works impending. Before he went to Japan he instructed the Surveyor General to prepare plans and estimates for a new Central School and a new Gaol, to be forwarded for the final approval of the Secretary of State. Owing to the pressure of work on the Praya, the Surveyor General in his absence very properly asked the Administrator to suspend the instructions, which the Administrator very properly did. He had not yet in fact got the plans of either of these schemes. These were, however, impending works which would to some extent absorb some of the surplus balances. The new Gaol would probably be erected on Government ground, namely at Stonecutters' Island, which would cost them nothing, and as the site the present Gaol occupied was extremely valuable and its value was increasing every day, the outlay for the new Gaol would not on the whole be excessive. There would still remain a considerable amount to our credit; but he did not need to point out that it was very desirable in these times, especially in every Crown Colony, that the Government should keep a good balance in hand. It was very desirable, as they might at any moment be called upon to incur heavy expenses not ordinarily contemplated. He did not intend to deal with those balances to any further extent than as he had just stated.

Hon. Mr. Keswick asked whether the Special Fund under Ordinance No. 10 of 1867 had been augmented since last year.

His Excellency replied in the affirmative. There was an actual increase going on every year. The C. D. Commission reported that there had been a surplus of \$100,000 received from the licenses, &c., since the Brothel Ordinance was passed. A question was put about this matter in the House of Commons by Sir H. Austin; and the despatches concerning it the hon. members had before them. The Secretary of State instructed him to ascertain whether or not the revenue derived from that ordinance reached anything like the figure quoted by that member of Parliament, —\$50,000. He sent the report of the Commission in answer and also an explanation by the Treasurer and the Registrar General, who had had a deal to do with the ordinance. They showed that clause 66 had not been carried out. There was no doubt the law of the Colony had been violated by no fund being formed, as was distinctly laid down in the ordinance. This was the more remarkable as he saw from the records of the day that the Legislature only consented unwillingly to this provision of the ordinance, and that strictly on the condition, which was plainly enough embodied in the ordinance, that the revenue of the Colony and the money received from licenses should be kept strictly apart. Mr. Caldwell when dealing with them kept separate accounts. Mr. Smith appeared to think that Sir Hercules Robinson gave some authority for amalgamating that money with the general revenue of the Colony; but seeing that Sir Hercules Robinson was not the Governor of the Colony at the time, he could hardly be blamed for that violation of the law. Now the funds arising from this ordinance were dealt with separately, and from them the expenditure under the ordinance was paid. There could be no doubt that \$100,000 was wrongly included in the general funds of the Colony.

The Chief Justice said he could not believe without very good authority that Sir Hercules Robinson gave any approval of the amalgamation of the two funds. He remembered Sir Hercules expressing to him his strong approval of the provision of the ordinance which established a special fund. In answer to a question from the Hon. Mr. Ryrie, His Excellency said the \$100,000 was not the whole money received for licenses &c., but the profit. The figures were furnished on estimates from the Government records to the Commission. The period was from the passing of the ordinance up to July last year.

The Hon. the Colonial Treasurer, (Mr. Tonnochy) as one who had charge of the Registrar General's part of the work for some considerable time, said he might throw some light on the subject of the \$100,000. It was expected at first that the fees would cover the expenditure of the Department, but no calculation was made of the fines, which for the first few years were very large. When Mr. Austin was Colonial Secretary there was a very large balance on this fund, and he argued that the salaries of the Registrar General and the officers who had been partly or exclusively occupied in the carrying out of the Ordinance, or part of them should be debited against that balance, and also the cost of the building and its maintenance—the building cost \$30,000—and if that was done, he said, it was clearly to be seen the Ordinance was indebted to the Colony for part of the cost of carrying out its provisions. He therefore contended that these receipts could properly be taken into the general revenue of the Colony, knowing that more than their amount had been expended therefrom under the Ordinance. He (Mr. Tonnochy) did not know how the calculation had got to be made that the Colony had got \$100,000 more than had been spent. If His Excellency thought fit, he would look into the matter.

The Governor assented.

Hon. Mr. Ryrie suggested the department paying rent for the buildings set apart for them.

His Excellency said that might very properly be done. H. E. then went on to explain that for reasons which were well known the revenue from fines would not be so large in the future as it was for some time after the ordinance came into force. He referred to the Tai Ow case and the discussion that arose on it, and the exposure then made that heavy fines led women to sell their children and themselves for years of prostitution rather than go to gaol. Magistrates knew now that if they imposed any fines of \$100 the women would fall into the hands of those ready at the

door of the Court to drive such bargains with them; and as there were smaller fines a large income in the future from this particularly disagreeable branch of the revenue was not likely.

The Standing Orders were thereupon suspended, and the Bill read a third time and passed. The amount under establishments is \$414,168, and under services exclusive of establishments \$417,890, together \$832,048.

THE NEW OPIUM ORDINANCE.

The Acting Attorney General said that since last meeting he had gone carefully into this Ordinance and had partially re-drafted some of its provisions. He believed it would now meet the wants of the Opium Farmer, and gave the Magistrates power to inflict such fines as would deter offenders from contravening the law. He had had the advice of Mr. Justice Francis and had only this morning re-drafted the first three Sections; he believed it was now more workable and satisfactory. Sections 2 and 6 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1879 were repealed. The first was ambiguous and impracticable. By the repeal of the other, Sect. 8 of the old ordinance was left as it was. That had relation to the checks upon the outgoing Farmer preventing him from running the farm to waste during the latter part of his lease and handing over a property worthless for a considerable time to come to his successor. The certificate of the outgoing farmer would be null and void as against the new farmer three days after the farm changed hands; notices to that effect would be given on each certificate in English and Chinese; the holder was made liable as if he had no certificate. The fines were increased from \$250 to \$500 for the first offence, from \$500 to \$1000 for the second; the same penalties were provided for contravention of any or condition of the Governor in Council might pass and proclaim. The clauses prohibiting him from boiling more than a certain quantity of opium "at or near the end of his term" in the old ordinance, was made in the new "within three months of the expiry of his lease" in the new. The time for valuation of the stock to be taken over was changed from "at or before" to "after," which was the only time such valuation could take place.

The Chief Justice took up the point about the "usual quantity" only being boiled by the outgoing farmer; he objected to the word "usual" quantity—who was to say what the usual quantity was? And usual with whom? With the outgoing farmer or his predecessor? Could not the same improvement be made here and a definite thing be fixed?

The Acting Attorney General said this was provided for by the arbitration clauses. The Chief Justice thought there would be difficulties in the way of the question of what was "usual" being decided by arbitration.

Hon. Mr. Ryrie and Hon. Mr. Keswick agreed that there would be no difficulty in getting evidence and arriving at a fair estimate; at all events, the means of protecting both parties provided by the ordinance was better than fixing a definite limit as consumption varied so greatly.

The Chief Justice expressed himself satisfied if only the Attorney General would insert the words "the arbitration award to be final."

The Acting Attorney General assented. The next point was with regard to searching ships entering the port having on board, as there was reasonable ground for believing, smuggled opium. The Singapore Ordinance went further than he proposed to do, for their Ordinance allowed them to confiscate the ships. Confiscating vessels was a very serious thing, and he did not believe His Excellency would desire to go so far as that. The Singapore Ordinance, gave to the police, no man under the rank of a Sergeant, power to board such vessels. Here the harbour was near the Central Station he proposed only to give the powers to the Inspectors. By another ordinance, dated as far back as 1845, every Inspector was empowered to board any vessel in the harbour; and the clause would be embodied here with the special connection of searching for opium.

The Chief Justice said all ships of war were excluded; and the Messageries steamers had the status of ships of war.

The Attorney General said the whole question had been re-discussed, and he would be most happy to show His Honor the case in a recent number of the Law Reports. The next point was with regard to arresting on suspicion. There had been some doubt on this point which a special clause would remove. Offences against this ordinance were misdemeanours, and as a general proposition police constables had the power to arrest any person they had reasonable ground to suspect of a misdemeanour. Of course if a constable maliciously or wantonly arrested any person he rendered himself liable to the penalties of the Law. Another clause gave the Magistrate power to deal with one half of the fine imposed in any case. It had been usual to award half of the fine to the Opium Farmer only when he was virtually the prosecutor. In the event of any police officer being the means of arresting any person contravening this law it would be in the Magistrate's power to award him half of any small fine, subject to any instructions that might be laid down on the point by His Excellency. In all cases half the fine would go to the Opium Farmer. There was nothing in the Bill involving any new principle; it was purely a measure providing for the better administration of the existing law; its purpose was to protect the opium farmer, who paid Government a large revenue, and might be passed even without reference to the Home Government. In the draft he had put it that the ordinance would come into effect on a day to be named by His Excellency the Governor.

The Chief Justice, if it would not be too much trouble to the Attorney General, believed it would be easy for him—and it would be a valuable piece of work if he did it—to embody the three Ordinances, 1869, 1879, and the present, into one. It would be mostly amendments and paste work, and it was a work which would earn the gratitude of the Magistrates, and perhaps save them from a slip in the hurry of their official duties, and he was sure he would be thankful for the codification and simplification himself.

His Excellency stated that last August he submitted to the unofficial members a draft ordinance which repealed the three existing ordinances and treated the farm here on the same footing as the farm at Singapore was treated. The unofficial members, however, differed from him with regard to broken boxes (balls of opium), and he withdrew his bill. Then that was introduced by Mr. Phillips which they were

now legislating to amend. His mind was with the Chief Justice in desiring one Opium Ordinance. He left the matter in the Attorney General's hands, and hoped he would accede to the request.

The Attorney General asked that some discussion of the points of this bill might first be had, and he could then see what could be done with the amendments, the work with which might then be easier. If he had the views of the Chief Justice and the hon. members, that work would be much more simple.

The Chief Justice said he would be happy to assist in a task the benefit of which both he and the Attorney General would find in the future. By the time the Bill came up in Committee the Attorney General might have something ready for them.

Bill read a second time.

THE CHINESE PASSENGER SHIPS (AMENDED) ORDINANCE.

This Bill was also read a second time.

[We reserve till to-morrow our report of the discussion on the second reading of the "Merchant Shipping Consolidated Ordinance 1879," which was the only other business before the Council.]

The Council adjourned until Saturday next, at 2.30 p.m.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.
(Before His Hon. the Acting Puisne Judge J. J. Francis, Esq.)

Wednesday, Nov. 19.

CHARGE OF LARCENY AND RECEIVING: PRISONER ACQUITTED.

Chung Lam Tsai was charged with having with other persons unknown, on the 19th August last, stolen, from a dwelling house at Yow-mah-ii, a box containing money, clothes &c., to the value of \$26, the property of Tai Ating, a butcher, and on a second count with having in his possession a drawer and certain account books and written papers, well knowing, when he received the same, that they had been stolen.

The following jurors were empanelled to try the case, the prisoner pleading not guilty:—Messrs W. Manson, J. A. Ahlmann, S. M. Munro, J. J. Juster, F. A. Rozario, F. J. J. Smith.

The case was one of limited interest. The point for the jury was the trustworthiness of the evidence of the man from whom the box was stolen, as to the identity of the prisoner, who was not apprehended till the 27th Oct., some ten weeks after the larceny. The man to whom the goods belonged had gone out for a couple of hours; those he left in the house he found asleep when he came back. His box was missing. Instead of going to the Police Station or waking his friends, the wronged owner of the \$26 worth lighted a candle, (it was late at night) and putting it in a Chinese lantern, wandered abroad, on a very different mission to that on which Diogenes started with his lantern. Our hero found that thieves were more easy to meet with than honest men, for within half an hour he came upon three men sitting down with a drawer between them belonging to the missing box and some books and papers belonging to him; they were examining the papers, and made off when they saw him. The books and papers which they left behind were the only part of the stolen goods recovered. The prisoner was apprehended at Hung-ham on the 27th October when he denied the charge. He now reiterated his denial and desired to swear his innocence over the cutting off of a cock's head. There were no witnesses against him, he said, save this one man, and the charge had been falsely laid against him. He had been voluntarily stated here several times in jail. There was no evidence as to how the prisoner came to be suspected of this particular larceny. He was apprehended by a constable acting under the Inspector's instructions and was not pointed out by the man who lost his box. Nor was it shown how nor where the man first "identified" the prisoner.

Inspector Cameron being appealed to by the prisoner and asked whether he had not known him as a workman for a long time at Yow-mah-ii, significantly said he never knew him as a workman. The jury were at first divided, 5 for "not guilty," 2 for "guilty," and although a verdict of 4 to 3 is as good as any other, the Judge told them to retire and reconsider the matter. They did so and came back with the verdict that they unanimously gave the prisoner the benefit of the doubt, and found him not guilty on both counts. The man was discharged at once, the Attorney General having nothing more against him than several previous convictions. The Attorney General mentioned that in a similar case yesterday, the Chief Justice had ordered a prisoner, who was found in "not guilty" to be detained till the end of the Session, when the proclamation would be read. The Acting Puisne Judge said he did not see he had any right to detain the man a single moment after he had been acquitted by the jury. It had always been the custom in this Court to acquit such prisoners at once.

LARCENY FROM THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

Cheung Asan was placed in dock charged with larceny of a bottle of scent valued at \$4 from the Victoria Dispensary on the 30th Oct. last.

The prisoner pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Ng Achoy in this and the following cases for the Acting Attorney General, prosecuted.

Mr. S. M. McLeish, an assistant in the Victoria Dispensary, and the shroff of the Dispensary, proved the offence.

The prisoner admitted five previous convictions for various offences, gambling and larceny between January, 1877 and February, 1879.

The jury without hesitation unanimously returned a verdict of guilty.

His Lordship characterized this as a very impudent robbery and sentenced the prisoner to the highest sentence in his power, seven years' penal servitude.

LARCENY FROM THE PERSON.

Wong Acheng was charged with snatching a pair of gold earrings from a married woman named Chua Aoy in a by-lane off the Queen's Road West on the evening of the 11th November.

The prisoner pleaded not guilty.

After hearing the evidence, (the question in this case also was one of identity) the jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty.

The prisoner begged mercy at the hands of His Lordship, as he had an old uncle, aunt, and mother to provide for. He admitted a previous conviction of larceny in February of this year.

Sentenced to penal servitude for three years.

SNATCHING EARRINGS.

Chan Afuk pleaded guilty to larceny of a pair of earrings and a jade stone from one Chun Alling on the 6th Oct., and also admitted a previous conviction of larceny from the person in March of the present year in which he received the highest sentence the Magistrate could award, six months' imprisonment, with 14 days' solitary confinement and public exposure in the stocks.

Prisoner was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

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THEFT OF A WATCH AND CHAIN.

Li Ahing was charged with larceny from the person of a watch and chain valued at \$6.50, from one Tse To Young on the 18th Oct. last in Hollywood Road.

Prisoner pleaded not guilty.

The complainant, an overseer of coolies, was employed on some repairs in Hollywood Road on the day in question, when prisoner snatched the watch and chain from him and handed it over to another man who ran away. The complainant seized him by the queue and gave him into the custody of a Chinese Constable.

The prisoner invited complainant and the Constable to his house where he promised to give up the watch. On arrival there the watch was not forthcoming and they were asked to go to another house where the property was given up.

The jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty.

This prisoner also pleaded for mercy.

His Lordship could not see how he would be doing his duty in extending mercy, as prisoner had been convicted for a similar offence in Sept., 1864, and again of stealing in May, 1877. Prisoner was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude.

The Court adjourned till 2 o'clock.

LARCENY.

Thomas Lewis pleaded guilty to stealing a hat, a pair of trousers, a coat, a shirt and a necktie, the property of Mr. C. S. Barclay of H.M.'s Naval Stores at Kowloon on the 8th Oct. last.

The prisoner pleaded in extenuation his extremely destitute state.

His Lordship characterized the crime as being low and mean, inasmuch as prisoner robbed the man who had befriended him with food, money and clothing.

Prisoner admitted three former convictions since 1876, and was now sent to penal servitude for seven years.

A second charge of Larceny stood against defendant, but Mr. Ng Achoy intimated that he had instructions from the Acting Attorney General to enter a *nolle prosequi*.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

Cheung Asan and Mok Alin, with two others unknown, were charged with highway robbery on the road between Stanley and Wanchai on the 2nd October last.

In this case also there seemed to be a doubt as to the identity of the prisoners, and the jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

The Court now stands adjourned till 10 o'clock on Monday next, the 24th instant.

CORRESPONDENCE.

STEAM LAUNCHES.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

19th November. Sir,—I am glad to say that my letter which appeared in your Monday night's issue, respecting the dangerous practice of wedging down the safety valves of steam launches, has already borne good fruit.

By the intervention of some Government officer whose duty it is to look after such things, the "Cumlong," about which I complained, has been supplied with a New Spring balance on Safety Valve lever, which is now as it ought to be. It is gratifying also to learn that the engineer in charge who was responsible for the "wedging," has been discharged from the service, and his certificate withdrawn.

This prompt action of the authorities may prove a wholesome warning to others.

PASSENGER.

China.

(Gazette.)

The Regular Meeting of the "Ionic Lodge of Amoy," No. 1781, E. O., for November, took place at the Masonic Hall last evening (11th) at 9 o'clock, and proceeded with the election of a Worshipful Master, Treasurer and Tyler for the ensuing year. Brother Herbert A. Giles, Senior Warden, H. B. M. Acting Consul for Amoy, was unanimously chosen as successor to Worshipful Brother T. D. Boyd, for next year. Brother Bain was chosen as Treasurer, the Worshipful Master remarking that the esteemed owner of "Wirreanda Lodge" needed no other bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in this one, and Brother Killen was duly appointed Tyler, vice Brother Mesny resigned.

If Masonry has done nothing else for the community of Amoy, it has at any rate reminded us that the art of producing a graceful structure out of bricks and mortar is not wholly extinct. The spirit of Architecture has not hitherto flourished at this port. The only public buildings we have are either monstrosities of composition, or ill-adapted to the purposes required, or both. Some of the dwelling-houses are comfortable and spacious enough, but even these, with one or two rare exceptions, are to the eye mere straight up and down barns with never a line or a curve to relieve the general monotony of the whole, unless indeed the curves are inserted in the wrong places with a consequent ridiculous effect. It has remained for the Freemasons of Amoy to exhibit in their beautiful Masonic Hall, now in course of completion, the simple but important fact that, given the bricks and mortar, the result is a mere matter of taste and arrangement. The residents have now one edifice of which they can be thoroughly proud. It would do credit to a much larger association with infinitely more means at command. We shall return to this subject at a future date; meanwhile, we may add that the

architect to whom we are indebted for the design is Mr. W. Danby of Hongkong.

We are informed that a well known "sport" has kindly presented a cup, to be played for at Larn Tonnla. This event should give a valuable impetus to the game, and we hope to see the list of competitors well filled.

The programme of the forthcoming races, comprising twenty-one events, was published this morning. Six races are closed for present and old Amoyites, leaving fourteen open to gentlemen from other ports, and this we hope will induce our Northern friends to continue their patronage of the Amoy turf. The arrangement of the programme seems to leave no cause for complaint, and we predict one of the most successful meetings ever held by the Amoyites.

A Chinese boy, only fourteen years of age, committed suicide last night upon Koolangsu by jumping into a well. He is said to have been driven to this act by a family scolding.

On Saturday last, at 8.30 p. m., there was a meeting of the "Corinthian" brethren to elect a Worshipful Master, and Tyler, for the coming year. Brother W. C. Howard, Junior Warden, Harbour Master of Amoy, was unanimously voted into the chair about to be vacated by Worshipful Brother Leigh after most successful year of office. Brother Bain expressed his willingness to continue to act, at any rate temporarily, as Treasurer, and Brother Killen was duly appointed Tyler, vice Brother Mesny resigned.

A general meeting of the subscribers to the Seamen's Club was held at the Amoy Club Rooms on Monday, the 10th inst. Present:—H. A. Giles, Esq. (Chairman) H. B. M. Acting Consul, Capt. Rickman, and Booth, Messrs St. Croix, Layton, Bain, Merrill, Boyd, Orr, Hext, Johnson, Hobson, Pfo, Sidoroff, Howard, Reids, Messrs. Talmage, Macgowan and Thompson,—to decide whether the projected Seamen's Club was to be opened on the total, temperance, or other principles. It was proposed by T. D. Boyd and seconded by W. S. Orr, that the Seamen's Club be established on teetotal principles. An amendment to the above was proposed by R. H. Pys and seconded by Capt. A. J. Booth that the Committee be authorized to provide the frequenters of the Club with beer, when they find they can do so with proper supervision. The amendment was carried by 11 votes against 6.

For the information of those interested in Race matters, we publish the following memorandum, giving particulars of the stables now in work.

Mr. Harkaway's Running Stream, Wild Lore (Griffin) and Orickuplin.

Mr. Gratton's Little Table (Griffin), Unsur, Zetot and Black Griffin.

Mr. Wesley's Scandal and Jorkins.

Mr. Paul's Mysic.

Mr. W. Miles' Wirreanda (late Quinto) and Temptation.

Messrs. Prosevey and Chole's 2 Grey Griffin, Netherlands and 1 Black Griffin.

Mr. E. Fye's Demonic, Scamp, Gome, Botic de Nord, Grey Palmer and Erebus (Griffin).

Mr. Hancock's Speco.

Mr. Kasey's Hercules.

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TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-
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BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
KASHGAR, Captain E. J. BAKER, will
leave this on SATURDAY, the 22nd
November, at Noon.
Tea and General Cargo for London will
be conveyed via Bombay without tranship-
ment, arriving one week later than by the
direct route. Silk and Valuables will be
transferred to the Calcutta steamer at
Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. MOLVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, November 10, 1879. no22
MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE.

THE S. S. TAKASAGO MARU, Capt.
Young, will be despatched as above
on SATURDAY, the 29th inst., at Day-
light.
Cargo received on board and Parcels at
the Office up to 6 p.m. of 28th.
No Bill of Lading signed under \$2.
Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board
before delivery is taken, otherwise they
will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

To Kobe.....Cabin \$60. Steerage \$15.
"Yokohama & Do. \$75. Do. \$20.
NAGASAKI.....Do. \$75. Do. \$20.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN CABIN
PASSAGES.

CARGO AND PASSENGERS for Nagasaki
will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail
Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the
Company's Offices, No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD
CENTRAL.

Hongkong, November 17, 1879. no29

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
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TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL

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UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. BELGIO will be despatched
for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on WEDNESDAY, December 3rd, 1879, at
3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for
Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central
and South America, and Europe.
Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.
Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 2nd December. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.
A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-
SAGE TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Over-
land, Mexican, Central and South American
Cargo, should be sent to the Company's
Office addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

H. M. BLANCHARD,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, October 24, 1879. de3

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE have authorised Mr JOHN MAC-
GREGOR to sign our Firm.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, November 1, 1879. del

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has established him-
self at the Premises formerly occupied
by LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co., Peddar's
Wharf, as

AUCTIONEER, APPRAISER
AND
COMMISSION AGENT.

All GOODS entrusted for SALE will be
fully covered by FIRE INSURANCE.

G. R. LAMBERT.
Hongkong, July 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr O. BRAUN in our Firm, CEASED
on the 23rd September A.O.
Mr O. STIEBEL is authorized to sign
our Firm.

REISS & Co.,
Hongkong, Shanghai, Yokohama.
Hongkong, October 3, 1879. js3

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER,
Dr EASTLACK will receive his
PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS,
No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the
MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1879.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
AGENTS to the New York BOARD
OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

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SHIPPING.

Agents,
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879. 3se80

NOTICE.

MR HEINRICH EBELL retired from
our firm on the 22nd August last,
and his INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY
therein CEASED from that date.

HERTON, EBELL & CO.
Hoihow, November 15th, 1879.

OUR Business will in future be carried
on under the firm or style of HER-
TON & Co. Mr LOUIS JEIDELL is
authorized to sign the firm's name.

HERTON, EBELL & CO.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Hoihow,
November 15th, 1879. del5

TO LET.

GROUND FLOOR OF HOUSE, No. 3,
MARINE LOT No. 65, Praya, Wan-
chal, formerly known as the "BLUE
HOUSES," with possession on 1st Decem-
ber.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, November 13, 1879. del

"ROSE VILLAS"—EAST.

SIX ROOMS, upon BONHAM and
ROBINSON ROADS, GAS, WATER,
FLOWER and VEGETABLE GARDEN, STABLE
and TENNIS LAWNS.

Apply to
SHARP & DANBY,
No. 6, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

TO LET.

A FIRST-CLASS STONE FLOORED GO-
DOWN, Situated upon MARINE LOT
10. Possession from 1st December next.

Also, the Two HOUSES, Nos. 14 and
16, Stanley Street, now in the occupation
of the TEMPERANCE HALL. Possession
from 1st December.

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co.
Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

TO LET.

TWO Commodious HOUSES Situated
in PEE STREET, Nos. 13A and 13B,
with Gas and Water laid on.

For further Particulars and Conditions,
apply to the Undersigned here.

YUENG MAW,
No. 33, Gage Street.

Hongkong, October 31, 1879. del

STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE IN
GODOWNS IN PEDDAR'S WHARF
BUILDINGS, at Moderate Terms.

Apply to
G. R. LAMBERT.

Hongkong, August 9, 1879.

TO LET.

ON MARINE LOT No. 65, FIRST-CLASS
GRANITE GODOWNS.

Apply to MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1879.

INSURANCES.

SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE
COMPANY.

FIRE AND LIFE.

INSURANCES against FIRE granted at
Current Rates. Considerable Reduc-
tion in Premium for LIFE Insurance in
China.

MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, June 2, 1879. 2jn80

SWISS LLOYD
TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY
OF WINTERTHUR.

INSURANCES granted on MARINE
RISKS to all parts of the World.

MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, June 3, 1879. 3jn80

YANGTSE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 206,370

TOTAL CAPITAL and AC-
CUMULATION, 26th
April, 1879.....Tls. 856,370

Directors.
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
M. W. BOYD, Esq. | Wm. MEYERIN, Esq.
O. LUCAS, Esq. | S. D. WEBB, Esq.

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Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH.
Messrs BARING BROTHERS & Co.,
Bankers.

FULLARTON HENDERSON, Esq.,
Agent,
3, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill, E.C.

Policies granted on Marine Risks to all
parts of the World.

Subject to a charge of 12 % for Interest
on Shareholders' Capital, all the Profits
of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS will be
annually distributed among all Contributors
of Business in proportion to the Premium
paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, October 1, 1879. 10080

INSURANCES.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
of
His Majesty King-George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20 % allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF
MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling
of which is paid up £100,000
Reserve Fund upwards of £120,000
Annual Income £250,000

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai,
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)
NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit,
are distributed annually to Contributors
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premium contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared to
grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £20,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against FIRE to the extent of
£45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at
Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h*, near the Kowloon shore *k*, and those in the body of the
Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Adria	2 h	Seaton	Brit. str.	780	Nov. 11	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Bombay	
Atalanta	2 h	Petersen	Ger. str.	782	Nov. 19	Meyer & Co.		
Bombay	2 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	K'wok Acheong		
Charlton	2 c	Johnson	Brit. str.	786	Nov. 19	Tack Mee Hop		
Chinkiang	2 c	Orr	Brit. str.	799	Nov. 19	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
Craiglands	2 c	Smith	Brit. str.	709	Nov. 16	Russell & Co.		
Danube	2 h	Clanchy	Brit. str.	561	Nov. 18	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	
Fame	2 h	Stapani	Brit. str.	117	H. K. & W'poo Dock Co.		Tug Plying
Formis	2 c	Schultz	Ger. str.	115	Nov. 18	Siemssen & Co.		
Gorm	2 h	Müller	Dan. str.	750	Nov. 11	Siemssen & Co.	Saloon	at daylight
Hakon Adelsten	2 h	Bergh	Norw. str.	908	Nov. 16	Siemssen & Co.		K'loon Dock
Kashgar	2 c	Baker	Brit. str.	1515	Nov. 18	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Europe, &c.	Mails, 22nd
Namoa	2 h	Westoby	Brit. str.	862	Nov. 19	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	23rd, daylight
Namoa	2 h	Love	Brit. str.	606	May 31	K'wok Acheong		Captain Doc
Olaf	2 h	Andersen	Dan. str.	978	Nov. 14	Siemssen & Co.	Saloon	
Romulus	2 c	Watt	Brit. str.	480	Nov. 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Sea Gull	2 h	Haydon	Amer. str.	48	Mar. 24	China Traders' Insurance Co.		
Sailing Vessels								
Alida	4 c	Biet	Ger. bg.	850	Oct. 22	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	
August	4 c	Riis	Ger. bg.	296	Nov. 11	Edvard Schellhass & Co.	New York	
Belle of Oregon	4 c	Merriman	Amer. bge.	1168	Oct. 6	Captain	Portland	
Bonita	4 c	Stehr	Ger. 3m. so.	341	Oct. 29	Edvard Schellhass & Co.		
Brennero	4 c	Buggolino	Ital. bge.	766	Nov. 2	Carlowitz & Co.	Hollo	
Canton	2 c	Knudson	Siam. sh.	779	Oct. 15	Chinese		
Chateaubriand	4 c	Leroy	Fch. bge.	387	Sept. 21	Carlowitz & Co.	Shanghai	Captain Doc
Chocola	4 c	Kennett	Brit. bge.	284	July 21	Adamson, Bell & Co.		For Sale
Cuba	4 c	Stabell	Brit. bge.	320	Nov. 15	Edvard Schellhass & Co.		
Elizabeth Childs	4 c	Lindbergh	Brit. bge.	381	Nov. 9	Wider & Co.		
Emerald Isle	4 c	Staples	Amer. sh.	1696	Oct. 20	Vogel & Co.	New York	
Endymion	4 c	Richardson	Brit. sh.	750	Nov. 12	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	New York	
Ernest	4 c	Hervé	Fch. bge.	690	Oct. 13	Landstein & Co.		For Sale
Faugh Balagh	3 c	Riite	Ger. bge.	240	Nov. 15	Carlowitz & Co.		
Flensborg	4 c	Jacobson	Dan. bge.	365	Nov. 9	Vogel & Co.	London	
Floral Star	4 c	Davidson	Brit. 3m. sh.	244	Oct. 12	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Florence Nightingale	4 c	McIntyre	Brit. bge.	454	Nov. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Hazel Holmes	4 c	Millican	Brit. bge.	405	Oct. 20	Vogel & Co.		
Highlander	4 c	Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1352	June 19	Vogel & Co.		
Hiram Emery	4 c	Wyman	Amer. bge.	799	Nov. 17	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Ingeburg	4 c	Hausen	Ger. bge.	386	Nov. 7	Edvard Schellhass & Co.	Hollo	
Iphigenia	2 c	Green	Ger. bge.	464	Nov. 11	Wider & Co.	Hollo	
Jules Dufauré	4 c	Willigen	Brit. bge.	434	Aug. 20	Pan Kong Ho		
Kvik	4 c	Larsen	Norw. bge.	417	Nov. 8	Siemssen & Co.		
Magellan	4 c	Sternberg	Ger. bge.	435	Oct. 30	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	
Miriam	3 c	Parker	Amer. bge.	598	Nov. 12	Vogel & Co.	Hollo	
Oberon	3 c	Schmidt	Ger. bge.	379	Nov. 8	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	New York	
Palma	4 c	Binge	Ger. bge.	299	Nov. 12	Melchers & Co.		
Pampero	3 c	McKenzie	Brit. bge.	588	Nov. 17	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Paul Marie	4 c	Gallard	Fch. bge.	324	Oct. 30	Carlowitz & Co.	Labuan	
Queen of India	4 c	Cary	Brit. bge.	390	Oct. 31	Vogel & Co.	London	
Rapid	2 h	Steinburg	Slam. bge.	429	Nov. 2	Chinese		
Southern Cross	7 h	Gibbs	Amer. sh.	1120	Oct. 15	Captain		
Spartan	8 c	Vincent	Amer. sch.	81	Aug. 27	W. H. Ray		
Sumatra	3 c	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.		
Ta Lee	2 c	Hafnanan	Ger. bge.	342	Nov. 8	Siemssen & Co.	Bangkok	
Three Brothers	2 h	Khalcke	Brit. bge.	367	Nov. 14	E-Tye Hong		
Twilight	3 h	Watland	Amer. sh.	1303	Sept. 14	Douglas Lapraik & Co.		
Vesta	3 c	Ruige	Dutch bge.	417	Nov. 15	Siemssen & Co.		
Zephyr	2 c	Cornford	Brit. bge.	395	Nov. 14	Abdoolally Ebrahim & Co.	Singapore & Bombay	
WHAMPOA								
Davina		Scott	Brit. bge.	425	Oct. 27	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
Ebenezar		Milne	Brit. bktine.	317	Nov. 11	Melchers & Co.		
Jessie McDonald		Scott	Brit. bktine.	275	Nov. 6	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
Malvina		Kings	Ger. bge.	450	Nov. 12	Wider & Co.	New York	
Mangerton		Thompson	Brit. bge.	350	Nov. 12	Carlowitz & Co.	Hamburg	
Normanby		Green	Brit. str.	604	Nov. 15	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	29th inst.
CANTON								
Fuyew		Crood	Chl. str.	920	Nov. 18	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	
Ningpo		Cass	Brit. str.	761	Nov. 19	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	